area of Salt Pan Lands in Mumbai region which includes both inside and outside Mumbai Municipality and under disuse on account of growth of grass, encroachments, fallow areas, departmental buildings, roads etc. is approximately 4892 acres. The Salt Pan Lands in Mumbai region presently under use for salt manufacture has been reported as around 8187 acres.

(c) The utilization of Salt Pan Land under disuse shall depend upon the coastal and development regulations.

(d) No such details are available with this Ministry.

Semi Pornography in Electronic and Print Media

2760. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of inereasing semi pornography in electronic and print media ;and

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b) Prasar Bharati has Programme and Advertising Codes which *inter-alia*, prohibit telecast/broadcast of any programme or advertisement, which contains anything obscene. Doordarshan and All India Radio abide by the codes while telecasting/broadcasting their programmes.

The Programmes of all Satellite Channels, when transmitted/ retransmitted through cable television networks in the country, are required to adhere to the Programmes and Advertising Codes prescribed under the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995 and Rules framed thereunder. The Programme Code prohibits carriage of such programmes in Cable Service, which offend good taste or decency, contain anything obscene or denigrates women through the depiction in any manner of the figure of a women, her form or body or any part thereof in such a way as to have the effect of being indecent, or derogatory to women or is likely to deprave, corrupt or injure the public morality or morals, contravenes the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1952 and is not suitable for unrestricted public exhibition.

Action for violations of the codes can be taken by any authorized officer i.e. SDM, DM or Commissioner of Police or any other officer notified in the official gazette by the Central Government or State Government.

The Central Government has constituted two inter-ministerial Committees under Section 20 of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995 to look into the violations of the Programme and Advertising Code.

The Government has decided to set up a Broadcasting Content Regulatory Authority to receive and dispose of complaints on content telecast on TV channels. A Core Group has already been set up in the Ministry to deliberate and draft the Bill in this regard.

In so far as the Print Media is concerned, the Government does not interfere in the matters relating to the Press. The Press Council of India (PCI) is a statutory authority established for preserving the freedom of the Press and for maintaining and improving the standards of newspapers and news agencies in India. PCI has set the Norms for Journalists Conduct according to which Newspapers/journalists shall not publish anything which is obscene, vulgar or offensive to public good taste.

The publishing of obscene and nude/semi nude photographs of women is an offence under Section 3 of the Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986 which is administered by the Department of Women and Child Development, Ministry of Human Resource Development.

Unauthorised parking in Delhi

2761. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of unauthorised parking lots being run in the DDA/NDMC/MCD areas in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps planned/taken to curb this unauthorised activity and the extent of success achieved;

(d) whether parking policy in Delhi has undergone review in the recent past; and